

LED BACK.

Go Away on Wheels and
topped at Marco.

S MOTHER'S JOURNEY.

and Lewis Scott Start
ling, but Get No Fur-
ther Than the Town
of Marco.

afternoon at about 3 o'clock,
Carl McNally, son of Col. Mc-
Nally, Hotel Brunswick, and Lewis
Geo. Z. Scott, both aged
s, were out riding around on
They disappeared. Along
a telegram was received by
from her son, stating that
um were then at Forsyth
ing ahead on their way to
the McNally family once
McNally knew that Earl
ing for permission to go to
trip, but she had refused.
is absent in Missouri on a
The mother was extremely
the safety of her son. She
w what to do. Finally it
that the boys would proba-
ra and telephone connec-
ured at once. A friend was
the boys arrived there they
old until this morning, when
went to Marco on the first
and the boys had put up at a
had their wheels with them
hanning to make the trip on
track, as the roads were too
peeling. Instead of continu-
journey, both boys were
to Decatur. The boys were
some money and Earl had
a good lot of food secured at
the hotel and companions of
discussed the escapade in all
ay. Mrs. McNally is greatly
have her son safe at home

Lewis don't care to say a

Farewell Social.

ers of the tabernacle congre-
Rev. and Mrs. Geo. F. Hall

a big send off last night.

on was crowded and the best

prevailed. Refreshments

Mr. Hall and family leave

St. George, Kan., where Mrs.

children will spend the sum-

mers. Hall's parents. Mr. Hall

Yellowstone park regions,

a company of hunters, he will

not bear and other large

Hall has purchased a fine

ing of a big Winchester rifle,

calibre, double action rev-

er, long, bowie knife, sleep-

other necessities.

Gifts Off Again.

As usual on such occasions the Trinity

club races at the Trotting

for this evening, will not

the of the heavy rain of last

put the track in a condition

for the sport. There is mud

with prospects of more be-

Therefore the management

and the races again until July

Falk-Crawford.

Journal, June 25: Married,

evening, June 25, at the home

Logan, corner of Second and

St. Bruce O. Falk and Miss

Woodford, both of Decatur. The

was performed at 6 o'clock

remained in the city until yester-

they returned to Decatur to

July 26.

Vill Camp Sunday.

ers of Company H, Ill. N.

a trip to the country Sun-

will march out Saturday

Southwood farm, two miles

the city on the Bloomington

stay until Sunday evening.

that there will be a large

sitors to the camp. The trip

unless there is a rain.

ook much more evenly if the

covered.

ache can be quickly and

overcome by using those

pills known as "DeWitt's

Risers." A. J. Stoner &

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ELLEN OSBORN'S LETTER.

A Comparison of the Stores of London and America.

What is Seen in the Shops of New York—A Busy Day on Twenty-third Street—Fashion Chat.

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New York.—There are no shops like American shops. After playing hide and seek and blind man's buff among the huddled counters and stuffy, cramped spaces of London establishments, where a man hires half a dozen little stores and runs them as one big store without taking down the partition walls, the air, the light and the elbow room in Yankee shops are worth while. A London dealer may send you out of doors and around to the next entrance to find the continuation of the glove counter, if you have been considering yellow and ask to see tans. And he doesn't encourage unnecessary shopping by any reckless profusion of elevators. You must know what you want and want it very much before you face the liveried flunkies at the door of a London shop, thread the dim labyrinths within and engage the services of the young woman behind the counter, who has to unearth her goods from so many burrows that even the most wanton "shopper," seeing the trouble it is to show goods, is cured quickly of "just looking" at things. The young woman herself is nicer to deal with than most of her kind on this side of the water, which is, perhaps, why the conscience pricks if articles are not purchased after she has "gotten" out a search warrant to discover them. American shops are bigger than those of London, busier, more democratic. A great deal more is done in a large way for the comfort of the shopper by the management, a great deal less in small ways by the people with whom directly the shopper has to deal. New York



FRENCH FREEDOM AND ENGLISH CONSERVATISM.

shops carry more goods and more varied goods, but there are drawbacks to this advantage. The ready-made system has developed so enormously in America that a crowd of women on Twenty-third street during the busy hours remind one of the afternoon walk of the pupils of a continental convent school, all in "costume de pension." The Twenty-third street colors are not so quiet and simple as the black cashmere frocks and broad white hats with white plumes of the school children; but if the blue, blazer women could be bunched on one block, and the gray blazers on another, the white ducks on a third and the brown crash suits on a fourth, the women who were left out of these groups and who didn't belong to the general army of black skirts with shirt waists wouldn't pack a single bridge car. Ready-made suits are far better fitting and smarter than they used to be, but this fact is cold comfort to the woman who has bought the very latest thing in tailor gowns abroad and has come home only to find the pride of her heart copied by the hundreds of cheaper goods but with precisely the same effect in every shop she enters and rubbing elbows with her on every street corner. Yea, American shops are great institutions.

The woman who objects to becoming simply a private in the uniform of the "outing suit" must study colors as well as cut and material. Pique costumes are made this summer in white with a bell skirt and with a slashed Eton jacket trimmed with white, red or blue pique gimp. Substitute for the Eton newer French jacket bodice, and for the bell skirt the seven-gored bias to bias skirt, not a soft, creamy gray pique instead of white, wear with it a front of pink China silk, and you will have, if your pink is well chosen and showsopal lights, a costume infinitely more becoming with the complementary effect of its beautiful colors than the hard and uncompromising white of the regulation suit and one that will let you feel more individuality. Bather a dark complex-

ion, clear and with some color is most favorable for this combination.

The printed lawns, Swiss muslins, delicate India muslins, flowered Dresden muslins, rosebud organdies and Marie Antoinette striped muslins are so artistically beautiful and so varied this season that the task of contriving original dresses with their help ought to prove an easy one. There was packed off to Newport this week an airy costume of soft, canary-colored muslin figured with white. The diaphanous skirt was cut and made, as is now almost universally customary, separate from the white silk slip over which it was to be worn. The slip measured 3½ yards round, the skirt four. The skirt was finished with tiny lace-edged ruffles of the muslin, with flat bands of insertion and with dainty tucks; though such is the latitude of fashion that it would have been equally in order with no trimming but a deep, handsome hem. The waist was soft, full and blouse-like with a front of insertion and a bolero tucked across the front and edged with a lace-finished ruffle. From rosettes of reddish violet started ribbons that fastened the bolero in front, crossed upon the breast, crossed again behind and were brought to the front again, forming a belt, and finally disappearing under a handsome buckle. The sleeves were close-fitting, with very small puffs upon the shoulders and with groups of tucks along the arms.

Among the newer summer material there is a very pretty silky batiste that ought to be utilized before it becomes more common. It is not less charming. It can be found in a wide range of white and cream tones, in plucky mauves and in clear pinks and blues; and if it be made with a plain skirt turned up in a deep hem and a crossed bodice whose folds are carried around to the back and knotted, nothing is wanted but a little lace and ribbon and a girl inside who is having a good time to produce one of the most successful effects of the season.

A garden party on the smooth lawn of a Hudson river country house served

MRS. PINKHAM'S VICTORY

Straightforward Declaration by Mrs. Sidney Hamlet.

Affing Since Infancy of Girlhood and Womanhood—Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound—Physicians Pronounced the Case "Prolapsus Uteri"—Could Not Walk Without Pain—Words Inadequate to Express Her Gratitude for Relief Received.

RED HOUSE, VA.—To Mrs. Pinkham: "My heart goes out in sympathy to all who are suffering with troubles peculiar to the female sex. I would like to express my gratitude for what your Vegetable Compound has done for me. I have been a sufferer since girlhood, did not then know the cause of dreadful sick headaches and other troubles. I could not take long walks, lift or carry anything heavy, and was very nervous. Last summer I was almost an invalid, could not walk across my room without pain. I sent for our physician. He pronounced my case a bad one of 'Prolapsus Uteri,' congestion and ulceration of the womb, and said I was to lie in bed. I was so distressed to find myself so helpless and useless to my family, I saw your Compound advertised and thought I would try it. I took fourteen bottles and used the Sanative Wash and Pills as directed, and now I am as strong as I ever was, and do all my own housework. I can walk more than a mile without any inconvenience. Oh! I am truly grateful. I cannot write the good you have done me. Words are inadequate to express it. May God bless you for the good you are doing." Mrs. Sidney Hamlet, Red House, Va.

This case is a good illustration of perseverance and faith. Mrs. Hamlet's sickness was severe, it took courage and patience to master the disease, but in good time the Compound produced the happy result as it will always do. The more difficult the case, however, the longer it will take to cure it—many women lose courage before the medicine has time to thoroughly "take hold" of the system.

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Good enough to finish out the summer with, what we can give you better ones if you want them for \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00 and up to \$5.00. Wash Suits with blouse and knee pants, yellow and blue fancy stuffs, 50c—ten common unprinted tickets for a suit. These suits are cheap. It pays to raise boys now & days.

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You can hardly get a remnant on a bargain counter for 50c big enough to make a dress for a girl, and we sell a whole suit of clothes for a boy, blouse and pants, for 50c—as fine as some folks sell for 75c and \$1.00 and more if they can get it.

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LOCAL NEWS.

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Rev. E. B. Rendle will lecture at Waukesha on the evening of July 3, for the Epworth League.

Smoke the Little J. 6 cent cigar, guaranteed to contain no artificial flavor.

Damrow Bros. are having the exterior of their building on West Main street repainted.

We will surely be angry if you do not ask us for trading stamps when making purchases of us. Pearl Oyster & Fish Co.—23-245.

The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Weigand are the best in town. Moh 22 M.

George W. Starr and J. H. Cogswell, of Havana, have gotten a patent on an explosive gas engine.

Take your coco cola ticket to Irwin's and get a drink free.

Every box of fruit bears my trade mark. If you cannot buy them from the dealers you can get them at the Riverview Fruit Farm. Berries, black and red. Orders by mail will be delivered. Geo. W. Stoy, P. O. Box 242, 28-245.

The Y. M. C. A. men's meeting will be held at 4 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the association rooms. Rev. Stevenson, of the Edward Street Christian church will lead the meeting.

Extremely low prices on bangles and carriages for a short time only. Leon & Morris, 129 West Wood street, 28-245.

You will praise the Reed & Son's pianos. They are sold at the C. H. Prescott music house. Low prices, easy terms. See the instruments.

Yesterday afternoon at her pleasant home on West Eldorado street Mrs. John A. Brown entertained about twenty lady friends in honor of her guest, Mrs. William Anderson, of Slaton, Mo. Refreshments were served.

Sick headache can be quickly and completely overcome by using those famous little pills known as "DeWitt's Little Marvel Pills." W. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krome. The jury in the Mewland-Smith robbery case stood 7 to 5 for conviction. Cora Beckner, indicted as an accessory, was considerably interested in the trial. If she two men had been convicted, Cora would have pleaded guilty. Had they been acquitted she would have gone free. Now she will have to wait to learn her fate, as the jury failed to agree.

Wind and lightning did damage at S. A. Crossman's and at H. E. Pevey's in the northwest part of the county. Mr. Crossman's barn was almost wrecked. The ends were blown out; several out houses were moved and damaged and the chimney was blown off his house. Mr. Pevey had two horses killed by lightning. Other people suffered slight damage.

Sales of Real Estate.

J. A. Brown to George Crawford, lot 4 in block 23 in Powers' addition; \$350.

George W. March to Mary A. Lilly, lots 4, 5 and 6 in Murray and March's subdivision of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section 10, in township 16 and range 8 east; \$500.

Bethel Feller to W. E. J. Cooper, lot 4 in block 24 in Merchant's addition to Deatur.

Thackerman Klembergarten.

Friday the closing exercises of the Mrs. Nettie Ackerman Klembergarten was a merry and happy occasion for the pantomime teacher and the thirty-eight children. There were songs, recitations, marches and games by the children; in which they impersonated soldiers, bees, birds, butterflies and flowers, the principal ones being:

"Good Morning to the Sunshines,"

Martin Stern.

"The Clock Song," Mildred Wallace.

Recitation—"Little Brown Seed," H. H. Alexander.

Recitation—"Mud Pies," Ruth Brooks.

Recitation—"Tadpole and Pollywog," Eugene Hayward.

"Finger Song," Dorothy Revans.

Song—"Golden Rule," Mabel and Ethel Ackerman and Homer Bartholomew.

Recitation—"Baby's Playthings," Rosemarie Ackerman.

Recitation—"The Daisy," Fay Howe.

Recitation—"Where Do the Little Violets Grow?" Emma Griswold.

Song—"Merry Brown Thrush," Fay Ackerman.

Recitation—"Robert of Lincoln," Elmer Brown.

After this there was a distribution of books containing the work for the term just ended. Then all sat down to a luncheon of cake, ice cream and fruit.

Mrs. Ackerman with her daughter, Nellie, leaves for Chicago, July 10, to attend the summer institute and kindergarten. She will return in time to begin her kindergarten here in September.

GLORIOUS FOURTH.

One Week from To-Day Deatur
Will be crowded with
Visitors.

BIG CELEBRATION IN THE CITY

Speaking, Music and Athletic Events at
the Trotting Park—Murray
Down Town at Night,
Fireworks.

ton, Covington, Myron, Newell, McAllister, Spies, Campbell, De Hart and Williams. The team held their first practice last night at the grounds on West Kidder street, under the direction of the Y. M. C. A. physical director, Thomas Pittner. They will practice every day next week and promise to do good work.

MERCHANTS TO CLOSE.

Deatur Business Men and Clerks Will
Take a Holiday Monday, July 4.

The following agreement duly signed,

is self-explanatory:

We, the undersigned, merchants in the city of Deatur, do hereby agree to close our respective places of business on Monday, July 4, 1897, all day. Close Saturday night and keep closed until Tuesday morning.

Music—S. M. Luis, T. T. Phillips, Pre-

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A. Stephan & Bro., Fred Kipp, Kays

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Clo. Co., Chas. E. Morgan, Cheap Char-

ley, L. Malenthal & Co., Ed. B. Denz.

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Briggs, J. O. Calvin, Stewart Dry Goods

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Williams, Annie Miller, K. E. Miller, E.

C. Hunscher, H. A. Wallace, W. L. Mc-

Donald.

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Co., Freeman Bros., H. W. Waggoner &

John Hager.

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P. & H. Co., Field & Wilson.

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Deatur, J. Millikin & Co., Pedenord &

Barrows, C. Nat. Bank.

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Wall Paper—W. C. Pluck, Abel Carpet

Co., Geo. H. Conklin & Co.

Dye Houses—H. H. Miller.

Buggies, etc.—Wayne Sulky Co., J. G.

Starr & Son.

Insurance—Race & Payne.

Lumber—G. S. Lyons & Son, Huf-

Bro., Mills Lum. Co., Geo. Lum. Co.

Box Factory—John A. Keck.

Wholesale Paper—Geo. H. Bacon & Co.

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SATURDAY, JUNE 26, 1897.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, June 26.—Partly cloudy to-
night and Sunday; warmer Sunday;
fresh northwest winds.

The President and Cuba.

The dispatches from Washington yesterday bore the news that the president will in a short time put into operation a policy in relation to the complex Cuban question, which will be entirely satisfactory to the public. This is encouraging to the people and it is to be hoped it may prove true. It is undoubtedly true that there is great and widespread disappointment because the president has not seen fit to inaugurate a vigorous policy as soon as he was inducted into office, and because he has not done so a belief is more or less prevalent that the administration will yet follow in the footsteps of Cleveland and aid the Spaniards instead of the Cubans. We have never believed this would be the result. McKinley has always kept close to the people and in his entire political career has tried to be in harmony with the best sentiment among them. It is unfair to him to assume that he will take a radical departure from that course now. No one is better informed as to the overwhelming sentiment in the United States in favor of the freedom of the Cuban patriots, not autonomy, but absolute freedom, than the president is, and there is no danger that he will disappoint the people. It is no doubt true that he is fortifying himself with full information on the subject and all the bearings, any event on the part of this government will have upon other nations and the possibility of war, or avoiding war. This is to his credit. There is also no doubt that when he has mastered the situation he will act with a great degree of courage and act swiftly. In any event a conflict with Spain over Cuba would be the most popular thing that could happen at this juncture. The people have become tired of Spanish atrocities and barbarities and want an end of it and the young men are ready to aid in ending it and teaching Spain a lesson she will not soon forget.

Democrats are beginning to admit that the extraordinary exports of manufactured articles under the Wilson law, over which so much shouting has been going on, are not of a healthy character. They are seeing now and admitting that these exports are largely due to the absence of a market at home, due to the enormous importations and the general business depression. The Philadelphia Record (Democratic), in a recent article on this subject, says: "As is always the case in times of business depression, the people of the United States for the last three years have been sellers rather than buyers in foreign markets." The Memphis "Spartan" (Democratic), discussing this same question, says: "There is every reason to attribute the rapid expansion of this part of our export trade during the past few years to the fact that the depression of the home market forced American manufacturers to seek foreign fields in order to keep their heads above water."

Democrats who have borne the burden and heat of political battles since long before Mr. Bryan was born will find the following Democratic catechism, which was posted on a conspicuous place on the walls of Mr. Bryan's New York hotel, during his recent visit there, pleasing reading:

Q. What is the standard of Democracy?

A. The Chicago platform.

Q. Do all Democrats profess allegiance to that platform? A. Necessary.

Q. Are there any other Democrats? A. No.

Q. Are persons who repudiated that platform and voted against the candidate of the party entitled to membership in, or recognition by, Democratic organizations? A. No.

Q. What are such persons? A. Bolters and traitors.

Q. Should they be tolerated in the party organization? A. No.

"Cotton-tailed Democrats" is the title which Senator West bestows upon the members of his own party who voted for protection to cotton and other farm products. Epithets, however, are not arguments nor are they at all convincing.

The customs receipts of the Wilson law, which has now been in operation 28 months, fall \$67,500,000 below those of the McKinley law in the corresponding period of its history.

The American flag, which was pulled down in Hawaii by an ex-confederate at the direction of President Cleveland, has been hauled up again by a Union soldier, William McKinley.

New England cotton mills are announcing that they will not make their usual summer suspension of business this year.

Stonington is to have a new \$5000 school house.

Street Paving.

Eds. Republican: Our city was one of the first cities in the country to adopt the use of brick for street paving and it was natural that the first work in that line, like the first steam locomotive, or the first threshing machine, was not perfect. If the steam locomotive of 50 years ago was placed by the side of one of our modern engines one would hardly recognize the relationship. The same can be said of the threshing machine, which is of more recent origin and many other machines and articles manufactured today. To the person that travels and observes, the improvement in street paving has been as rapid and as marked as any other industry. Take one of our first paved streets and if it were possible to place it by the side of one of the most improved and modern built as you see them in many of our cities, you would hardly call them of the same family. Decatur has not improved in her plan of laying or building streets. The brick men make a harder brick than they did 12 years ago, but it is no smoother nor more perfect in shape than those they first made. Time and experience has shown the weak part in the old plan of laying paved streets to be the foundation. A layer of gravel or sand on one block soil and a layer of ordinary brick flat ways on the ground or sand and then an inch of sand and a course of brick edgeways, completes a pavement of the old style. Now if any one will stop and think for a moment they will see this is not right. The weakest part of your work is the foundation, where it should be the strongest. Would any sane man build a brick building commencing on a sand foundation, build the first story a nine inch wall, the second story a 13 inch wall and the third story a 16 inch wall. This would be on the line of our present system of building paved streets. The foundation or lower part being where the strain is the greatest must necessarily give way and the structure sink or get out of shape. The modern plan which is adopted by all the best cities is one course of brick on six or eight inch concrete foundation. This concrete foundation is like our solid stone covering and extending over the whole street and made smooth like a cement sidewalk, and if made proper will be so strong and solid that Barnum's show or wagons with a heavier load than they carry, could go over the concrete before the brick are laid on it without injuring it. Now the only difference in the two pavements is this, concrete takes the place of the one course of brick laid flatways on sand or gravel. Suppose you would prepare a street by the two course plan and have it ready for the top course of brick to go on, but before the last course of brick was put on Barnum's show was allowed to go over it, what condition would it be in. The top course of brick is the same on either kind of street. Now suppose you take the top course off of two streets, one built of two course brick and the other of one course on six inches cement, which would be the better street to drive on? It seems to me there is no comparison. Now there is another advantage in favor of concrete foundation, where it is necessary to open a street for any purpose you can repair and replace your street without injury or even leaving the place visible. The streets of the city are the cities' wealth and it should be the pride of the city to keep them in the best possible condition. The property owners pay four fifths of the expense of building the streets, but the city pays the expense of keeping them in repair, it would be the part of wisdom for the council to adopt the kind of paving that would need the least repairing.

A Citizen and Observer.

The Tabernacle Lyceum Course. Mr. Charles Beech, of Chicago, special agent of the Republiant Lyceum Bureau, was in the city today, and completed arrangements with Rev. Geo. F. Hall for a strong lyceum course at the Tabernacle the coming season. Eight attractions were arranged for as follows: Welsh Prize Singers, Robert McIntyre, Katherine Ridgeway Concert Co., Harry Spillman Riggs, Kellogg Bird Carnival, Robert Burdette, Beethoven Orchestra, with George Riddle and Robert Nourse (in Dr. Jekyll and Mr. Hyde). Mr. Hall says it is by far the best course he has ever booked. Tickets will be sold at \$1. for the entire course, and the first entertainment will be given about November 1.

Cigars. Cigars.

Havannettes.....100 for \$1.75
Little Diana.....100 for \$1.50
5 for 10.

Special prices to the trade. For sale at L. CHODAT'S NEWS LIOCEUM.

—Dr. E. Moore, who has been visiting his daughter at Cleburn, Texas, is expected home next Tuesday.

MONEY TO LOAN—Any amount; reasonable terms. Apply to Geo. W. Ehrhart, 137 North Water street, up stairs. May 31-41m

East Peoria is to have a new \$6500 vil- lage hall, three stories in height, the upper floor to be a hall for entertainments.

The customs receipts of the Wilson law, which has now been in operation 28 months, fall \$67,500,000 below those of the McKinley law in the corresponding period of its history.

The American flag, which was pulled down in Hawaii by an ex-confederate at the direction of President Cleveland, has been hauled up again by a Union soldier, William McKinley.

New England cotton mills are announcing that they will not make their usual summer suspension of business this year.

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Odd Fellows' Orphans.

Lincoln, Ill., June 26.—The fifth annual commencement of the Odd Fellows' Orphans' Home school occurred last evening at the Broadway. The toaster was one which the fraternity utterly failed to encourage by their presence. The young ladies on the program for vocal numbers gave much pleasure to their audience, the recitations were well rendered, and the excellent program throughout was heartily enjoyed by those present. M. H. Berry of Chicago, grand warden; J. R. Miller, grand secretary; Alfred Orendorf and J. Otis Humpreys and others were present, and short addresses and good advice to the scholars abounded. The graduates were eleven in number, as follows: Bertha Beck, Maude Jensen, Lucile Meridith, Annie Culley, May Jensen, Gertrude Maring, Margaret Gilliland, Aubrey Anderson, Frank Beard, Walter Wardell and Lawrence Tepke.

\$100,000 Fire at New Orleans.

New Orleans, La., June 26.—Fire broke out this afternoon in the four story brick rice mill of Ernest Bros. That structure was quickly destroyed and the flames spread to an old mill in the rear and threatened Hibernia's tobacco factory, where a panic was created among several hundred girls at work. All were rescued, however. The loss will be over \$100,000.

Omaha, Neb., June 26.—G. R. Pond, of Corning, Iowa, is dying at the Presbyterian hospital from the effects of wounds inflicted by a tramp who tried to hold up the passengers on the Burlington train at Chalco this morning. Six tramps operated in the gang and five are under arrest. Pond was shot while resisting the robbers.

On the third page is given a list of merchants who will close on July 5 for the day. To the list should be added those places, the names coming in too late to be classified: The E. D. Bartholomew Co., Standard Oil Co. and the Decatur postoffice.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. W. H. Penhaleton, D. D., pastor. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. A. H. Mills, super. Wednesday at 10:45 a. m. The pastor will preach. Mr. Herbert Miller of New York will sing. The congregation is invited to unite in the Sunday School mass meeting at the First M. E. church.

Strangers and others not worshiping elsewhere are cordially invited.

COLLEGE STREET CHAPEL.

Sunday school at 2:15 p. m. J. K. Love, Supt. WESTMINSTER CHAPEL.

Corner of Macou street and Haworth Avenue. Sunday school at 2:15 p. m. F. P. Laughlin, Supt.

FIRST M. E. CHURCH. Rev. D. E. Hove pastor. Class meeting at 8 a. m. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. by Rev. S. C. Pierce of Chicago. Theme: "The Supreme Good." 7:45 uniform service. Evening service at 6:45 p. m. November 1. The general invitation is extended to the general public and to all not worshiping elsewhere.

SARGRANT'S CHAPEL. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m. Class meeting at 8:30 p. m. Prayer meeting Thursday evening.

SAINT JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

Rev. Frank N. Atkin rector. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Holy Communion at 7 a. m. Morning prayer at 8:30 a. m. November 1. Evening service at 6:45 p. m. November 1. The general invitation is extended to the general public and to all not worshiping elsewhere.

UNITED BRETHREN IN CHRIST CHURCH. The Centenary U. B. church, corner of N. Broadway and Main street, A. M. B. Speer, pastor. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Morning service at 10:45 a. m. Preaching at 11:45 a. m. by Rev. W. H. Miller of New York. Evening service at 7:45 p. m. November 1. The general invitation is extended to the general public and to all not worshiping elsewhere.

CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIFIC. Lesson series from the Bible and "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" by the Rev. Mary Baker Eddy, at 10:30 a. m. Subject: "Quarterly Review." Friday evening, 7:45 p. m. Preaching at 7:45 p. m. Evening and sermon at 7:45 p. m.

NEWBERRY LIBRARY AND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. Rev. W. H. Hawkins pastor. Services in W. C. T. U. hall. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. Evening service at 7:45 p. m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH. Corner Water and East North streets. Rev. D. R. MacGregor, pastor; residence, 400 College street. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Morning service at 10:45 a. m. Preaching at 11:45 a. m. Evening service at 7:45 p. m. November 1. Those in the vicinity of the Chapel are cordially invited.

GRACE M. E. CHURCH. W. F. Gilmore, D. D., pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. by the pastor. Subject: "The Good News." No service at night. Sunday school at 2 p. m.

CHRISTIAN TABERNACLE. Church at North Main and North West Geo. F. Hall, pastor. Edifice, M. S. Calvin, Musical Director. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m. Morning service at 10:45 a. m. Preaching at 11:45 a. m. Evening service at 7:45 p. m. November 1. The general invitation is extended to all who come with the congregation.

ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN MISSION. Corner Laclede and N. Charles St. Sunday school at 2:30 p. m.

ANTIQUE BAPTIST CHURCH. On Spring Avenue. Rev. J. T. Pease, pastor. Change, Preaching at 11:45 a. m. and 7 p. m. Rev. J. W. Moore, of Jacksonville, Ill., will speak at the service. The Antiques are cordially invited to come out and hear him. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m. Y. P. S. C. E. at 7:45 p. m. All are cordially invited.

ST. PETER'S CHAPEL, A. M. E. CHURCH. Regular services morning and evening. The pastor will preach at the morning hour; subject: "The Good News." Rev. W. H. Miller, pastor. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Sunday School at 2:30 p. m. Wm. Price, Supt. Christian Endeavor at 8:45 p. m. P. C. Cooper, Pastor.

Miss E. M. Carter, the gifted lecturer of New Orleans, La., regular field agent of the Foreign Home Missions Society of the A. M. E. M. Carter will lecture on Monday evening at the A. M. E. church on "The Black Women of the South."

WORSTEN STREET CHRISTIAN CHURCH. Corner West William and Edward streets. Rev. Marion Stevenson pastor. Sunday School at 2:30 p. m. E. March, Supt. Preaching at 10:45 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Wednesday evening hour. "The Good News." Lecture on "King Solomon." "Runaway Jacob." Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:30 p. m. Anthems and solos by Mrs. F. P. Howard, Miss Beatrice Howard, Misses Kepler and Linda Wood.

FULL ATTENDANCE of the members of the church is desired. Those not worshiping elsewhere are cordially invited. All seats free.

GOOD WAY MISSION. Corner Franklin and Locust streets. Justice and Franklin, 2:30 p. m. S. L. Hill, Supt. Preaching at 7:45 p. m. All are welcome.

4th JULY tickets on sale July 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th, 115th, 116th, 117th, 118th, 119th, 120th, 121st, 122nd, 123rd, 124th, 125th, 126th, 127th, 128th, 129th, 130th, 131st, 132nd, 133rd, 134th, 135th, 136th, 137th, 138th, 139th, 140th, 141st, 142nd, 143rd, 144th, 145th, 146th, 147th, 148th, 149th, 150th, 151st, 152nd, 153rd, 154th, 155th, 156th, 157th, 158th, 159th, 160th, 161st, 162nd, 163rd, 164th, 165th, 166th, 167th, 168th, 169th, 170th, 171st, 172nd, 173rd, 174th, 175th, 176th, 177th, 178th, 179th, 180th, 181st, 182nd, 183rd, 184th, 185th, 186th, 187th, 188th, 189th, 190th, 191st, 192nd, 193rd, 194th, 195th, 196th, 197th, 198th, 199th, 200th, 201st, 202nd, 203rd, 204th, 205

When Doctors Differ Who Shall Decide?

HISTORY OF A WOMAN WHO COULD NOT WALK FOR SIX YEARS.

So Well Known was the Case that Druggists are Besieged with Requests "For the Same Medicine which Cured Miss Osborne."

From the Palladium, Richmond, Ind.

Miss T. E. Osborne is the name of a petite young lady living at 126 North Seventeenth Street, Richmond, Ind. She is the daughter of Mr. William Osborne, one of the most prominent horsemen in Eastern Indiana.

About five years ago, after she had been given up as a hopeless case by numerous physicians, had tried braces and all scientific appliances, and had been taken to the principal baths, she began slowly to improve, and without the aid of doctors. Considering the cure a most remarkable one, a Richmond reporter sought the cozy home of Miss Osborne and obtained from her own lips a statement of her case and the cause of her most wonderful cure.

When the reporter called, Miss Osborne came walking lightly into the room, and in response to a request for the story of her case, replied:

"None of the doctors, and I tried all of them, knew what was the matter with me. Some said I had rheumatism, while others frankly admitted that they did not know. I was at first taken with pneumonia. One of my feet pained me almost constantly, then the doctors pronounced it rheumatism.

"Gradually, but steadily, the trouble grew and spread until my entire body was involved and I was utterly helpless. Then we changed doctors. No relief came, and we changed again. We tried nearly all of the local physicians, and I was taken away to the baths. Nothing did me any apparent good, and I suffered very much.

"It is now six years since I became unable to walk. Afterwards I grew worse and was absolutely helpless. Braces were used in the hope of strengthening my limbs so as to make me able to walk, but they did not good.

"I was completely discouraged and so were my friends. They gave me up to die, and the doctors, each one of whom at first declared he could have me walking soon, all declared that I never could walk again. I had no longer any faith in any doctor or any remedy.

"This was the condition of affairs," said Miss Osborne, "in 1893. About that time a railroad man—I forgot his name—learned of my case, which was very generally known. He told Peter Husson, the grocer, that I ought to try Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pals People. My people were informed of this recommendation and they told me I paid no attention, as we had been to such great and useless expense in trying to get a doctor or a remedy that could do my case any good. I did not want to try them. I had never heard of them, and I had no faith in that or any medicine.

"My people were more hopeful than I, and they purchased a box of the pills and I began to use them in 1893, to try them.

"I noticed no change to amount to anything, after taking the first box or so, but my people wanted to give the medicine a fair trial, so they kept on giving me the medicine.

"I took no other at the time, so that if any good were to come we would know what had

SIMSON COWLIP'S POLITENESS.

The Black Homer of Jimtown Tells About It, and Challenges His Friend.

"I doan' 'spec' yo' nevuh did heah 'bout ol' Maha' Simson Cowlip, w'at live down long de Cape Fair river 'fo' de val, an' wuz so monst'ous pullite?" said the Black Homer of Jimtown. "Cose yo' didn't! I des' natchly know know'd yo' nevuh did heah 'bout him sub. Despit pullite, he wuz! Um-m-m-ump! How pulli-i-ite dat man was!

"Pow'ful nice man, dough, Maha' Simson he been. Pow'ful nice man, yo' often heah 'bout folks been' so very kyine dey won't hahm a fly, but Maha' Simson Cowlip he so ovuhwhemmin' kyine he jes' natchly won't even shoo a fly! 'Yea, suh! Dat's a fac, suh! Why, one time at dinuhh he wife say to him:

"'Yo' Simson!' she say. "'Waffe' yo' doan' eat yo' pie? Ain' dat pie good?' 'Nev' wuz bettuh pie on top dis hyah erf!' Maha' Simson he say. 'But duh' a fly on it, honey!'

"Den he wife she say: 'Fly on it? Dat doan' hah' duh' pie! Shoo de fly away! Shoo de fly away an' eat yo' pie!'

"'Cain't do it, honey!' Maha' Simson he say. 'Dis hyah fly's wife can't meek fe' fo' him, an' he jes' natchly injin' yo'! I can't shoo him away! Bimrehy he done go way he ownself, an' doan' eat pie, honey!'

"Nice man? Shit! I des' lack to heah some un, say Maha' Simson Cowlip w'at'n a nice man, dat's all! Heck! On I wouldn't joggle him no' nuffin'! Oh, no!

"But he han' too monst'ous pullite. Dat han' de ovuhwhemmin' trouble wiv him. Why, what you think? I see him mo'n a heap o' times, bare his head an' boy de geesees in de behin' fac', suh! Geesees dey han' mighty funny creathurs. Ev'body know dat. Some

times all day dey try to git fric a foot hole in de fence w'at dat han' can't git dey' hole fric, an' dea dey hoh dey heads go in 'troot balm do so high dat a giant kin' walk in it 'tput tetchin' de top! An'

many, many times I see Maha' Simson Cowlip, when he been standin' by de behin' do, an' a geese it come up an'

bob, its head to git in, teck off he han', an' bow to it, an' to nex' geese, till he done bow de whole flock o' geese in de behin', he so monst'ous pullite! Shoo! What a yo' think o' dat, now? Ain't dat han' pow'ful queesh, suh? But I done see him do it heap o' times! Heap o' times!

"Plainty, bahs down in de Cape Fair kentry dem days. Plaintiff o' em, suh. 'Fo' de wah. Despit ugly bahs, too.

"Fight teel dey die, an' lookin' fo' fight all de time, suh. All-i-l-i-l-i time. Maha' Simson Cowlip he doan' keeuh fo' dem bahs. Pooft! W'at he keeuh fo' dem bahs? He great, bah, hentuh. One time, des' wen' we pow'ful busy plantin' in long kin' a shiny young chap w'at say he kin' all de way fum V'iginny, an' want to hant an' feesh. Maha' Simson he so monst'ous pullite, he den' quit he plantin' an' tote dat chap 'roun' wiv he bes' hose, days an' days. Den Maha' Simson he say to deshiny chap:

"'How' yo' lack to keel a han', suh?'

"Dat shiny chap, say he lack, dat deep'rites kyine. So Maha' Simson he teck him, sat in de wades, to keel a han'.

"Dey hent an' han', an' bimrehy Maha' Simson he push up a pow'ful big bah.

"Dat han' he push up 'gin a gum tree an' gnash he teef an' poun' he ches', an' des' mowt as well holuh to Maha' Simson dat he dah him to peetch in.

"Maha' Simson he could keel dat bah right dah, suh, wiv one shot, but shoo! Dat won't be pullite to he guest, de shiny chap. De shiny chap he spludg in 'troot' in de wades up de rivuh, an' Maha' Simson he holuh to him:

"Would yo' please se o'kyine as to come dis hyah way, suh?"

"Dat's w'at Maha' Simson he holuh, an' de shiny chap he kin' wollupin' down whah Maha' Simson han' facin' de bah. He doan' see de bah, but he kin' up close to Maha' Simson. Maha' Simson he smile, teck off he han', bow to de shiny chap pullites' kyine, p'nt to de bah, an' say:

"'Aftuh yo', suh!'

"Den de shiny chap he look an' see de bah. 'He tu'n de collub o' w'itewush. He liff one yell outt' hisself, an' doan' 'spec' setch a despit yell nevuh wuz heuh'd, suh, 'long de Cape Fair rivuh, nevuh befo' no' sense de wah, suh!'

"He doo' lif' dat yell, he drap he gun, an' way he scrumbum fum dah lack de O' Roy heftick kick him in end! Maha' Simson he have he hat in he han' yit, an' he back bent yit wiv dat pullite now. He so pow'ful sp'ris'd at de

unpulliteness o' de shiny chap dat he been frow' clean off de gahd, an' to' he

git backag'in dat ol' bah wuz cleawin' an' chawin' a' bowleg Jeef Pool, he chop-pin' in de wades on de you' side de

Cape Fair, an' he heah de unpleasent-heah. He wobblie ovuh'dah, an' he say:

"Dat et he didn't git dat deh do time he do, an' squash dat bah's head in wiv he ax, dah wouldn't been 'nough o' Maha' Simson dat' fo' de calumh' in' his all ovuh, sub! 'Bowleg Jeef Pool, he chop-pin' in de wades on de you' side de

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Gabriele d'Annunzio, who has just

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ing to England. From there he will

come to America in order to gather ma-

terials for a work on the country.

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Baptist Young People's Union, Chattanooga, Tenn., in July.

Epworth League, Dayton, July 15 to 18.

National Oriental and International Exposition, Nashville, Tenn., May 1st to Oct. 1st.

Wards, Ind., account Winona Assembly, May 15 to August 31.

Home City, Ind., account Island Park Assembly, July 15 to 28.

Bethany Park, Ind., account Bethany Park Assembly, July 23 to August 15th.

Indianapolis, Ind., account Y. P. C. Union, Aug. 17th and 18th; good returning Aug. 24th.

Columbia, N. Y., (Lake Chautauqua) account meeting Photographers' Association, One fare round trip, tickets sold July 11th and 12th, good returning not earlier than July 16th, and not later than July 20th.

Detroit, Mich., Young People's Christian Union Universalists--One fare round trip. Tickets sold July 5th and 6th, good returning to Aug. 14th.

Chicago, Ill., account German Epworth Union, July 1st and 2nd.

St. Louis, Mo., account Indianapolis, July 10th and 11th, good returning to Aug. 14th.

To Cincinnati, Ind., account C. H. & D. W., July 20th and 21st, good returning to Aug. 14th.

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In Endless Varieties, in Silver and Gold,
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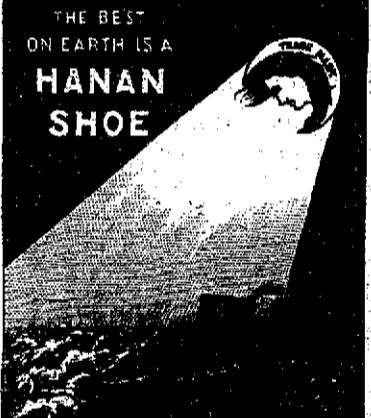
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ALL SILK	10 doz. worth 15c, go for	10c
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Ladies' Gauze Underwear...

9 doz. Lace Arm and Neck at	10c
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Soft Shirts, Light Underwear, Belts, Shirt Waists and Corsets to meet hard time prices.



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Then come in and get a box of Mexican Roach Food. We guarantee it to kill all the Roaches and Water Bugs in your house. Money refunded if it doesn't do it.

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LOCAL NEWS.

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St., Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Kook.

Remember the Goodman band concert at Riverside park Sunday afternoon.

National Kidney and Liver Cure 60c at Irwin's Drug Store.

Go to Harry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. June 22nd.

For you wall paper at lowest prices go to Plog, at 100 East North street—25 cents.

The young ladies of the basket ball team will play a practice game next Tuesday afternoon.

If the person who took the basket of books from Hunter's wagon at the depot will return them he will get a reward. W. T. Hunter, 300 North Water street.

Ladies' Green Oxfords, \$1.50 and \$2.50. Ladies' Purple Oxfords, Children's Pictures Shoes—Ladies' Green Bicycle Boots \$1.00. At Powers' Shoe Store 211-212 W. V.

Dan Culp for pumps, force pumps, lift pumps, wood pumps, chain pumps, and water elevators, 233 N. Main St. Durst & Culp. May 25-26.

THE MARK E. SWAN CO.

Lively Comedy, Music, Songs and Dances at Riverside Park.

The celebrated Mark E. Swan Comedy company, as well and favorably known to Decatur playgoers, has been engaged by Manager Ferguson to fill an engagement of a week or longer at the Riverside park pavilion, beginning on Monday night, June 28. The Swan company is now completing a long engagement at the Fox-est park theatre, pleasing everybody. Such a fine attraction for the stage at the Decatur park will not fail to draw the people. New music, new plays, new songs, new dances, changes of bill every night.

Sunday afternoon there will be another grand free concert by the Goodman band.

—23-24.

Dr. W. G. Stearns a Benedict.

The wedding of Miss Grace Whitney and Dr. William G. Stearns, superintendent of the Illinois Eastern hospital at Kankakee, was celebrated last night at St. Paul's by Dean Phillips.

The wedding reception at the home of Colonel and Mrs. H. X. Clarke after the ceremony was attended by eighty relatives and friends.

The groom is the gentleman about whom there has been talk of being arrested for contempt of court in failing to obey a court summons in a chancery case. He is wanted in the Willis case, but he has refused to come. Possibly he didn't want to come because of the near approach of the wedding, and now he has gone off on a trip. His excuse to Judge Vall ought to be accepted.

Township S. S. Convention.

The following will be the program of the Decatur Sunday school convention, to be held at the First M. E. church, Sunday, June 27: Sunday afternoon 2:30.

Music, under the direction of Prof. Luta 3:40—Loyal Army Method. What It Is, A. H. Mills. What It Does, (three minute answer), T. B. Ewing, R. C. Augustine, P. P. Laughlin, Hattie J. Brown, Lulu Jones, W. F. Vaughn, Wm. Wilson, Theo. Ruthrauff. Music.

Sunday evening 7:45—Music. 8:00—Normal work, Mrs. Rev. W. F. Gilmore 8:30—Collection. 8:35—Home Department, Rev. M. B. Spady. Music.

Show Closed Last Night.

The Empire Comedy company closed their engagement at Riverside park last night.

The next date at the park will be the Mark E. Swan stock company, who will open on next Monday evening.

This is the company that played last year for six consecutive weeks to large houses.

They will introduce new plays and specialties and they have a larger and stronger company than ever. Remember that you buy a ticket on the cars which passes you out and back, with admission to show, for 10 cents. 22-23.

Comedy Company at Riverside.

On Monday night Mark E. Swan's stock company will open a return engagement at Riverside. This company played a five weeks' engagement here last summer, when they gained the approval of the press and public by their clever performances. This season the company is larger and stronger than ever. The well known comedian O. W. Hall, who did the trap in "Off the Earth" at the open houses last season, is the feature of the company and among the supporting company who are well and favorably known in Decatur are Mark E. Swan, Fred G. Ranch, John F. Bailey, Josie Winters, Laura Fowler and several new members making one of the strongest companies. Mr. Swan has one brought to Riverside.

On Monday night they present for the first time here, Mr. Swan's new comedy, "Walker's Ward." The show is free to patrons of the street car company.

Left for Europe.

Miss Lura Sprong, the prima donna at Bradley Bros. store, left today for New York city and from there she will be a few days for Europe. She expects to travel to Germany during the summer.

What the Town Needs.

This will be Rev. Hall's theme at the Interstate tomorrow night. It will be his farewell shot at things in general before his shooting trip to the mountains.

WILL THEY AGREE?

The Jury in the Knapp Robbery Case are Still Out.

LATEST. "THEY STAND SIX TO SIX."

Evidently a Wide Difference of Opinion as to the Guilt of the Two Men.

Judge Vall Waiting for the Verdict.

The case of the People vs. Oliver Moreland and William Smith, on trial for the alleged robbery of Andrew Knapp in the Cora Buckner place, went to the jury in the circuit court last evening, but it seems at this writing that there is little prospect of reaching an agreement. Early this morning the jury stood 7 to 5 for conviction, and this afternoon the score was 6 to 6. Judge Vall is waiting for the jury to reach a verdict, and he will be ready to come into court at any time after 11 o'clock tonight. The jury was tied in this case are M. L. Deck, G. D. Frazier, Eli C. Bird, E. McNutt, J. H. Kline, L. A. Hinckley, E. M. Samuel McBride, W. F. Jacobs, B. P. Dial, Frank Hager and G. F. White. Possibly they will not get released before Monday, if then.

People's Docket.

The People vs. J. N. Collier, embossed. Nolle propositus attorney.

The People vs. John Harrington, driving away mortgaged property. Certified to answer work for process.

The People vs. Walter Miller, assault with a deadly weapon. Defendant withdraws plea of not guilty and pleads guilty. Judgment that defendant be imprisoned in county jail for 30 days and pay costs.

The People vs. Jesse Miller, assault. Defendant withdraws plea of not guilty and pleads guilty. Judgment that defendant be imprisoned in county jail for 30 days and pay costs.

Chancery Docket.

Sarah J. Jimison vs. Lawrence Jimison; divorce. Motion by plaintiff for all money.

George W. Handy vs. William M. Yantis et al; foreclosure. Appearance of certain defendants in writing. Decree pro confesso and referred to master for computation.

Inez J. Bender vs. J. H. Culver et al. Damurver overruled and rule on defendant to answer by Wednesday morning next.

Harriet Howell et al vs. Albert T. Summers; foreclosure. Leave to amend bill and make county of Macon defendant and rule on Macon county to answer 1:30 p.m.

Clinton Bear vs. George Harpster et al; bill to quiet title. Decree pro confesso to defendants not answering.

Harry Fink, Jr. vs. Edmonston P. Johnson et al; foreclosure. Rule on defendant to close proof Tuesday next and supply answer.

ONLY FOURTEEN LIGHTS.

Two Extra Lamps for Each Ward will be the Apportionment.

There is always a cry for extra electric lighting in the wards, and each alderman is yearly expected to do his level best to get better illumination. It was expected that the present administration would come down handsomely for lamps and necessary wiring, but the apportionment as made by the committee last night provides for only two extra lamps for each ward, a total of 14, with two extra to use in case of accidents. This the committee thinks is all that ought to be done now, in the present state of the city's finances. Possibly something more will be done next year. The lamps will be put up as points yet to be designated.

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The attack going on.

Clinton Bear.

Several books were stolen from the delivery wagon of Berry Hunter this morning at the depot. The wagon was standing by the express office and the office books were in a covered basket in the wagon. A sack of fruit was expected and the man with the wagon was on the stage platform. It was supposed that a tramp took the basket thinking that it contained something to eat.

Take your odds and tickets to Irwin's and get a drink free.

ROYAL

The absolutely pure
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ROYAL—the most celebrated of all the baking powders in the world—celebrated for its great leavening strength and purity. It makes your cakes, biscuits, bread, etc., healthful, it assures you against alum and all forms of adulteration that go with the cheap brands.



CHAT ON EFFECTS ELECTRICITY

Manager Ferguson says a horse may be shocked but not hurt.

This afternoon Manager Ferguson was asked if he had heard that occasionally horses in passing over the rails of the City Electric street railway were more or less severely shocked, and what was the cause. He replied in substance: "Yes, I've heard of a few cases, and the cause is easily explained. All of the rails are connected by wire for the return current to the power house. Occasionally the wires will become disconnected and when we can locate the break we always make the repair as soon as possible. This forenoon you will see that I have had the joints examined here near the transfer station. We found all the wire connections in good shape. If there are any breaks anywhere we have been unable to locate them. A horse stepping on a rail where the wire connection is broken may feel a slight shock, but it is of no consequence, causing only momentary nervousness, which quickly passes away. Horses when they receive the shock usually lose their energy for the moment. They never jump or run. A dog is the animal most easily killed by electricity. Next comes the elephant and then the horse. The man in the employ of the street car company, engaged in repairing the tracks and working about the power house and the cars are frequently shocked, but they think little of it now. It is an old story with them. They call the shock when they get it 'Holy Ghost,' because on one occasion a man working on the track pushed hand down in a hole to grasp an iron support and when he did so he got a section of the current which caused him to exclaim as he jerked away: 'Wow, wow! there's lots of Holy Ghost in that!' And ever since that occurrence the boys when they get a shock call it 'Holy ghost.'

JUST LIKE DECATUR.

Only Bloomington Makes Provision for Nearly \$600,000 Improvements.

Last night the Bloomington city council read and passed eighty ordinances for public improvements, providing for eighteen miles of pavements, twelve miles of sewers and ten miles of water mains, and calling for the expenditure of \$400,000 for pavement and \$40,000 for sewers and water mains.

The passage of these ordinances was necessary in order to avoid the provisions of the property frontage law passed by the last legislature. Under this law the owner of one-third of the frontage of a street can block the passage of an ordinance for pavement, sewer or water main. The ordinances passed cover every street the improvement of which is now demanded by the city's growth or likely to be demanded for some years to come. Decatur was more active than Bloomington in this matter. The ordinances were passed last Monday night for nearly \$600,000 worth of improvements.

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